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Local Talent Marion Art Center's Members Show

By Kenneth J. Souza

For Judy Carver, participating in this year's Members Show at the Marion Art Center is a little intimidating. She considers herself an amateur artist and this will be the first time she has ever displayed her work in such a prominent show.

But you wouldn't know it from one of her two watercolor entries simply titled "Crescent Beach," which depicts a blending wash of colors along Mattapoisett's so-named waterfront parcel.

Although she only picked up her brushes about a year and a half ago after a brief hiatus from painting, Ms. Carver has both studied with and been influenced by some impressive local talents, including Betty Dunlop and David Baggarly. And like many of the other amateur and professional artists whose work will comprise the 1996 Marion Art Center's Annual Members Show, her work is infused with an appreciation for local landmarks and tell-tale New England seascapes.

The Marion Art Center's Annual Members Show opens this Friday, October 25. All members in good standing are eligible to submit two pieces — framed and ready to hang — for the members show, with the understanding that at least one will be hung and two if space permits.

The show will be on display in both galleries at the Art Center now through November 21. Work must be picked up on Friday, November 22 and Saturday, November 23 during gallery hours: Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Some other works which will be featured in this year's show include Sarah Brown's watercolor "Wicker"; Charles Parsons' watercolor "Fisherman with Pipe," and a graphite drawing titled "Shed at Plymouth" by Pamela Rainey, an artist who also painted the mural which is displayed inside The Wave in Marion. A variety of other media will also be highlighted in the show, including oil paintings, pastels, prints, photography, and sculpture.

Membership in the Marion Art Center is open to the public. Next year marks the 40th anniversary of the institution. Annual dues are \$25 for individuals, \$50 for family, \$100 for sponsors, \$500 for patrons, and \$1,000 or more for angels.

Contributions to the Marion Art Center are tax-deductible. MAC members receive newsletters, invitations to gallery openings, and other special

events, reserved privileges for performances, discounts on tickets and classes and art purchased at openings.

For more information about the show, memberships and other activities at the Marion Art Center, please call 748-1266.

Water Works Mattapoisett's Herring Weir Renovation Project

By Kenneth J. Souza

Despite overcast and damp weather, a group of local town officials and state legislators gathered at the historic Herring Weir on Route 6 in Mattapoisett Tuesday to announce that renovation work will commence on the dam and herring ladder next week.

On the cover: Judy Carver hangs one of her paintings at the Marion Art Center while center director, Wendy Bidstrup, looks on. The Annual Members' Show at the Marion Art Center opens this weekend and will run through November 21. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

Cover insert: Mattapoisett Selectmen Michele Bernier (third from left) and John DeCosta (fourth from left) stand with (l. to r.) State Representative William Straus, DEM Commissioner Peter Webber, and State Senator Marc Pacheco near the Herring Weir which will be renovated beginning next week. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

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Department of Environmental Management (DEM) Commissioner Peter C. Webber, State Senator Marc R. Pacheco, and State Representative William M. Straus jointly announced that AGM Marine Contractors of Mashpee, MA has been awarded the \$172,130 contract to make repairs and improvements to the Mattapoisett Dam, a municipally-owned facility located at the mouth of the Mattapoisett River.

"This project will improve the functional operation and beauty of the dam, while enhancing the natural resources for the community and the river wildlife," Commissioner Webber said to the gathering of local officials and area residents. "The DEM is extremely enthusiastic about this project and looks forward to working with AGM and local representatives to complete it."

It was appropriate that the previous weekend's tremendous rainfall had raised the level of the Mattapoisett River to just below the dam barriers. In fact, the sound of water gushing through the two floodgates could be heard as each speaker tried to talk over the din.

"There's nothing like a fifteen-inch rainstorm to remind us to keep our dams sound," Commissioner Webber said.

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Although there were no shovels to be found and no official "groundbreaking" ceremonies, the speakers took the opportunity to laud the combined efforts of area legislators and the contributions of Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester, Fairhaven, and the Buzzards Bay Project (BBP) in getting the project up and running.

The initial funding for the project was made possible through the Capital Bond Bill which was authorized in 1995 via an amendment filed by Rep. Straus. In addition, Mattapoisett contributed \$5,000; Fairhaven contributed \$5,000; Rochester contributed \$2,500; Marion contributed \$2,500; and the Buzzards

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"The fact that this project was supported with a 25 percent local match says great things about the importance of the dam to this area," Commissioner Webber said. "There are 2900 dams across Massachusetts and of those, 1400 are privately-owned and 1500 are public property. So you can understand there is a great deal of competition for funding these projects. This one got priority attention because of the local support."

Rep. Straus agreed that without the commitment of local support, this project would not have come to fruition — at least, not this soon. "When Senator Pacheco and I sat down with Commissioner Webber, he told us if we could show some interest locally, he'd be able to move the project up," Rep. Straus said. "So I went to the officials in Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester, Fairhaven, and got their support along with a commitment from the Buzzards Bay Project."

Senator Marc Pacheco echoed Rep. Straus' comments, adding that the cooperation from the various local officials made this project "one of the easiest" he has ever worked on. "With every team, you need a good manager, and Rep. Straus has been out there working on this project from the

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beginning," Senator Pacheco said. "He's been pivotal, along with the local officials, who have made this a great team effort."

Rep. Straus said the project will also preserve the water quality for Fairhaven residents. "The project also has the added benefit of allowing greater flood control at times of hurricanes, thus protecting the water quality for the Town of Fairhaven's pumping station at the site of the dam."

Raul Silva, Chief Engineer for AGM, said the work will begin sometime next week and proceed through January, weather-permitting. "There are essentially two components of the renovation," Mr. Silva said. "First, we'll be constructing a new fish ladder off the existing abutment ... which will increase the number of fish traveling up the river. We'll also be installing a concrete platform, two new floodgates, and one new floodgate at the emergency outflow."



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Although the dam is well over 100 years old and has been repaired and renovated several times over the years, this project is more of a "preventative measure" to improve the number of fish which spawn in the river and make it easier for them to travel upstream, according to Mr. Silva. He said if all goes well, the new dam will be up and running for next spring's herring run.

Several local officials present — including Mattapoisett Selectmen John N. DeCosta and Michele Bernier, Fairhaven Executive Secretary Jeff Osuch, and Rochester Herring Inspector David Watling — expressed their gratitude in getting this

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project off the ground.

"I think this is a great day for Mattapoisett and its neighboring communities," Selectman DeCosta said. "This is an important project and an important resource for the area."

Mattapoisett Halloween Parade

It's that time of year again, and the Mattapoisett Police Department's Annual Halloween Parade and Costume Contest will be held on Thursday, October 31 at Center School. The parade will kick off at 6:30 pm on the south side of Center School. Free glow sticks will be given to all parade participants. Following the parade, prizes will be given for different categories of costumes. After the judging, free candy will be given to all at the school. Prizes will be given from pre-school age to adults.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

October 22, 1996

By Dionne F. Richmond

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, October 22, 1996 at 7:00 pm by Chairman John N. DeCosta. Also present was Selectman Paul E. Lambalot, Selectman Michele C. Bernier and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

At 7:00 pm the Board met with Wesley Bowman, Highway Surveyor to discuss a water problem on Church Street. There is a serious drainage problem since a holding pond was

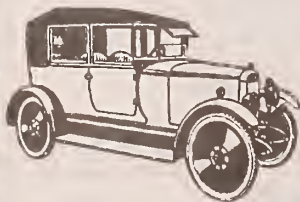
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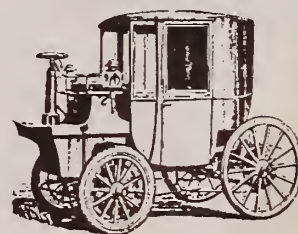
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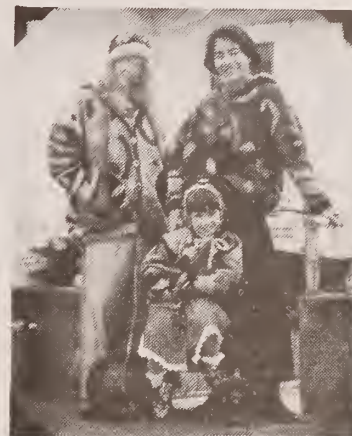
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never put in that area. Mr. Bowman said he believes the water is coming from the police station.

"When we put the drainage in it goes to the woods and stops. We never put in a holding pond. Looking at it today, I don't think the drain on Church Street will hold what's coming in," he said. The water currently runs down the street to the brook.

"Once the brook goes down, we can get water to flow," he said. He suggested someone go along the property with a backhoe and swale it along a stone wall so water will flow into a ditch. The Board voted to have Mr. Bowman ask the Conservation Commission to review this idea since it is wetlands. Mr. Bowman will also consult with Town Engineer Arthur Thompson and will come back next week with an update.

The Board then met with Jen Rusinoski regarding the Jussuame dog hearing. Natural Resource Officer Brian D. Nunes submitted a positive report that no further incidents have been reported during a 30 day period following a the Jussuame dog hearing on September 17.

Ms. Rusinoski said the dogs have not been fenced in and are still on the run. She said she was still fearful for her children's safety. Selectman Lambalot asked her if they became loose; she said not yet but explained it hasn't been steady in the past. The Board will contact the Jussuames and request they keep them fenced in a 6-foot kennel that will be locked and secured so that they can't escape. They will give them two weeks to put up a kennel or notify the board if it takes longer than that.

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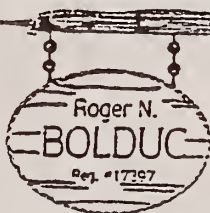
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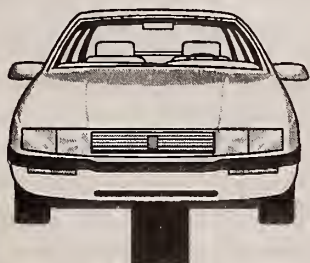
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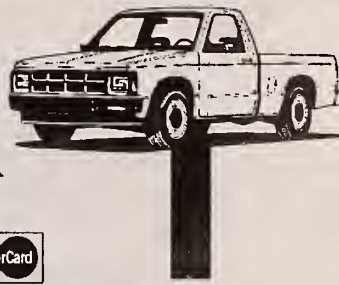
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•Fire Chief Scott recommends the appointment of two additional firefighters. Over the past few months the department has lost four of its members. The Board unanimously appointed Paul Andrews of Aucoot Road and Dana Collyer of Church Street as recommended by the Fire Chief.

•Fire Chief Scott also announced that batteries and smoke detectors have been delivered to the fire department. Residents can contact the fire department any morning from Monday through Friday for an appointment to replace batteries or install a smoke detector.

•The Dartmouth Recycling Committee and Dartmouth Department of Public Works is sponsoring a Tire and Battery Recycling Day on Saturday, October 26th at 2:00 pm at the DPW yard on Russells Mills Road. All surrounding communities are welcome to participate.

•A memo was received from Dennis F. Luttrell notifying that the annual response drill of the Buzzards Bay Oil Spill Mutual Aid Team will be held on Saturday, October 26. The location and time of the mock disaster will be released the day of the drill.

•Notification was received from the Master Plan Study Group that a meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 29th at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room.

•Correspondence was received from Jay Mello thanking the Board for taking the time and energy to making the October 21st Dinghy Dock meeting so productive." I congratulate you all for being so responsible in organizing and executing this informative meeting giving all parties a chance to voice their concerns, objections and support," he wrote.

•The Division of Marine Fisheries advises that Brandt Island Cove, Mattapoisett Harbor from Angelica Point to

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There being no further business to discuss the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

October 22, 1996

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, October 22 at 7:00 pm by Selectman Loretta B. Schaefer. Also present was Selectman Albert E. Winters and Secretary Helene Craver.

After signing the treasury warrant for the week and approving the minutes of the October 15 meeting, Selectman Schaefer noted that "Foxfire," the llama which formerly resided at the transfer station in Marion, recently passed away. "Foxfire" suffered a stroke on October 19 and had to be put down to avoid further suffering.

Selectman Schaefer wished to offer her sympathy and said "Foxfire" will be sorely missed — noting he "lent a 'specialness' to the Marion landfill."

The board approved a request for a liquor license for a Ham and Bean Supper to be held at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 on Saturday, October 26.



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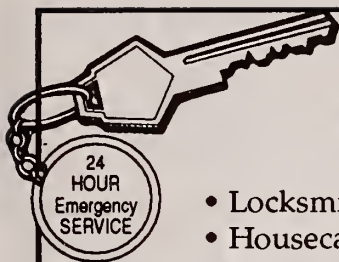
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At 7:00 pm the board met with the Marion Cemetery Commissioners as part of their ongoing annual meetings with various town departments. Commissioner Ann Washburn noted that she had received a call from Betsy Tremble about the East Marion/Point Road Cemetery project and when it would be progressing.

"I told her it hadn't been accepted by the Board of Health yet," Ms. Washburn said. "I met with the Board of Health on October 17, and they told me the land on the east side would be approved strictly for cremations ... they had concerns about the high water table."

Ms. Washburn also noted that the commission hopes to repave the roads at Evergreen Cemetery as they are in "bad

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shape." "I talked to (DPW Superintendent) Rob Zora, and he felt the roads should be torn up and repacked and black-topped," she said. "We're also going to be looking at the road at Old Landing Cemetery."

Another concern of the commission was overgrown trees and shrubs at the various town cemeteries, many of which are damaging grave stones and need to be trimmed. "If a family plants (shrubs) on either side of the family headstone, they own the trees," Ms. Washburn said. "But it's difficult to get in touch with many of these families to ask them to trim the trees."

Although the commission didn't feel they would be requesting money for any upcoming projects at the next Town Meeting, they did want to bring the board up to speed on their pending plans. Selectman Schaefer also noted that although she understands the problems with trees and shrubbery at many cemeteries, she isn't inclined to have them removed.

"I know they can create a problem, but I hate to see a wide open cemetery," Selectman Schaefer said. "Could you come up with a plan for the cemeteries and not sell certain lots so that you can keep some of the trees? I think it would look so much more attractive."

Selectman Winters also suggested looking into different types of trees which may not have expansive roots that cause damage to the gravestones.

At 7:15 pm the board met with the members of the Recreation Committee. Suzanne Kotowski first went over the three basic areas which the committee is focusing on at the present time. These are: the playing field at Washburn Park; the erosion at Silvershell Beach; and storage space at the Music Hall.

"We've been using space at the Music Hall for the past year and a half for our recreational equipment," Ms. Kotowski said. "We have several thousand dollars worth of equipment and

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Selectman Schaefer noted that the plans at the present time are to close the Music Hall in March of 1997, and it will likely be close for one full year to allow the contractors to work undisturbed on the renovations. As such, the Recreation Committee — which also has four programs currently using space in the Music Hall — can plan through the end of February, 1997. After that, they will have to find an alternate space for programs and storage.

Another concern of the Recreation Committee was the beach and sand erosion at Silvershell Beach. Committee members all noted that with the tremendous rainfall over the last few weeks, the sand is collecting in the parking lot area, and then being washed away toward the beach. Selectman Winters noted that's been an ongoing problem for some time, and they will keep this in mind for future planning.

The committee also stressed that the playing fields at Washburn Park have reached their capacity. "With an additional 52 students at Sippican School ... we're at the maximum use of our playing fields," Ms. Kotowski said. "We have no facility for girls' softball and it's difficult because we have so many teams. We're trying to accommodate over 300 students in two Babe Ruth leagues and one girls' softball league."

Selectman Schaefer recommended the committee bring this matter to the Finance Committee (FinCom) to discuss how this might fit into the town's overall expansion plans. The Recreation Committee said they have already formed a subcommittee to look into future expansion of the playing field at Washburn Park.

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project," Selectman Schaefer said. "I think you should also bring this plan to the Conservation Commission to discuss the wetland delineation."

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received a notice from the Department of Revenue certifying that the Town of Marion free cash amount as of July 1, 1996 as \$425,661. Selectman Schaefer noted that this was "more than we were anticipating."

The Department of Housing and Community Development next sent notification of the Municipal Incentive Grant award for 1997 in the amount of \$17,000 which was given to Marion to revise their zoning by-laws. Marion was chosen as one of the successful applicants out of 105 requests.

Shellfish Officer Charles Bradley next sent a memo to the board advising that as per the order of the Division of Marine Fisheries, effective immediately all areas of Marion are closed to all shellfishing due to the excessive rainfall of the past several days. The shores are slated to reopen on Friday (October 25) unless there is significant rainfall during the week. Selectman Schaefer noted this is not restricted to Marion, as most of the coastal communities in Massachusetts have been closed in the wake of the weekend storm.

The board finally received notice from the Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District and the Dartmouth Recycling Committee that a Tire and Battery Recycling Day will be held on Saturday, October 26 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (rain or shine) at the Dartmouth Transfer Station, 843 Russells

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Renata Briggs next came before the board to consider renting Taber Hall to a Russian family which is now staying in Marion and is in need of housing. Selectman Schaefer said that although the board is sympathetic to the family's need, the town is not in the position to rent out the building at the present time. "We would need to go through certain procedures before we rented the property," she said. "And we would have to put it out to bid ... which means they wouldn't necessarily be awarded the bid."

Selectman Schaefer did say that perhaps someone would be able to come forward from the community to help the family. Ms. Briggs noted that the Russian woman is a meticulous worker and is looking for odd jobs around town. Those interested in hiring her can call 748-1526 or 748-1985.

Donna L. Pina and Lorraine Pina next came before the board to oppose a request made by Tim Semple at last week's Selectmen's meeting to convert the tennis courts at the Point Road Playground into a skating area for skateboarders and roller-bladers. "We're here to oppose this plan," Ms. Pina said. "The area is too small and I think it would cause teenagers to congregate in the area."

The women suggested several alternate locations, including the Silvershell Beach playground, the Sippican School playground, or the Washburn Park Playground.

Selectman Schaefer noted that the board didn't tell Mr. Semple that this project was *au fait accompli*, and they were still taking the matter under advisement. On a similar note, Conservation Commission Chairman Frank Germano noted that after hearing Mr. Semple's presentation last week, he went to visit a similar facility in Duxbury, MA (which Mr. Semple used as an example) and found they were experiencing some of the problems which the two women were alluding to. "I think (Marion) should talk to the people in Duxbury before making a final decision on this project," Mr. Germano said.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:58 pm.



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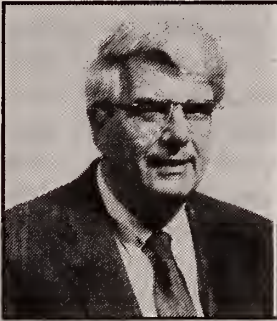
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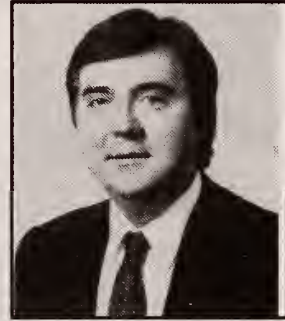
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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

October 21, 1996

By Dionne F. Richmond

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, October 21 at 7:20 pm by Chairman Lorraine Roy Hawkes. Also present were Selectmen Richard D. Cutler, Selectman William D. Chamberlain and Secretary Veronica Lafreniere. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the October 21 Selectmen's meeting before meeting with Fire Chief Scott Ashworth and Deputy Assistant Jeffrey Morse who invited them to attend the upcoming Firefighters Recognition Night to be held on November 10 at 5:00 pm in Rochester Memorial School auditorium. The 36 Firefighters and EMTs on the department will be recognized for completing training and courses above and beyond what is required of them.

"We have a lot of good equipment but the main thing is the personnel and members (of the fire department)," said Deputy Morse. Families and townspeople are encouraged to attend the recognition night to show their support for the fire department.

Selectmen then met with Col. Richard Murray -- Director of the Environmental Police who have the authority to approve town bylaws relative to boating -- and Jack Shephard -- Director of Massachusetts Fishing and Gaming to discuss banning internal combustion engines on Snipatuit Pond. Selectman Cutler explained there is a great desire by some people in town to ban these engines on Snipatuit Pond which resulted in an article appearing on the Special Town Meeting Warrant. Although the town was prepared to vote on the matter "we realized it falls under your jurisdiction," he said.

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there has been increased activity on the pond. "I don't think the pond can handle the activity. The large motors stir up (the bottom of the pond). It's a very unique pond, it's very shallow," she said. She also said she has done research on studies that concluded motors destroy plant life. "We'd like to see small electric engines," she added.

Mr. Shephard asked how most people had access to the pond. "When we built (state) access years ago, we saw very little activity," he said. He was told people use the state and private access areas as well as cranberry bogs. Selectman Chamberlain asked about reducing horsepower instead. "On Mary's Pond we had a bylaw reducing the horsepower usage down to five and then from there it went to *no internal combustion engines*," he said. Herring Inspector David Watling, Jr. said limiting the horsepower to five was an excellent idea.

John Hall said petroleum products such as motor oil slicks add up and take a while to break down. "I don't like to think about restricting activities, but it's a unique pond, privately owned all the way around," he said.

Selectman Cutler asked Col. Murray and Mr. Shephard what the normal procedure was for banning internal combustion motors. "Is this reasonable?" he asked. Col. Murray said for a pond 500 acres it was unusual but it would take someone other than himself to analyze the information.

He said it was becoming common nationwide for people to return to the water. "It's becoming cleaner," he said. Before the main concern

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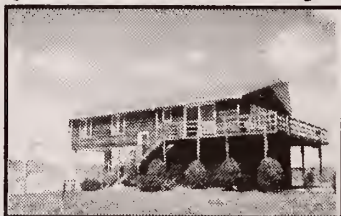
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was with row boats or motor boats, now it is with jet skis. "Everybody wants to do their own thing," he said.

He said another problem was cities or towns who would prefer to shut down their ponds rather than allow outsiders to use them. "It's our job to ensure fair access to water and develop rules and regulations," he explained. Selectman Cutler said that was not anybody's intention. "I don't think anybody wants that," he said. Other members of the meeting agreed with him. According to Col. Murray the next step is for the state to hold a public hearing which would establish rules and regulations and enforcement. He also suggested creating a diverse committee who would represent the different interests concerning the pond.

"You need someone to represent the Bass Fishermen's Organization on the committee," added Mr. Shephard. He said Long Pond, a much larger pond, has a 50 horsepower restriction.

He said the five to 10 horsepower restriction was more geared to ponds under 100 acres. "You have the option to limit activities to certain times of the day or certain areas," he said. Another option is setting speed limits and limiting activities to certain days. Selectman Cutler asked who would monitor these regulations. Mr. Shephard said the state tries to enforce them although it is impossible for them to be at every pond all the time.

"We try to work together with the town, ask them to have a local individual enforce regulations. It's usually the police chief's designation. He has the authority to appoint assistance," explained Col. Murray.

One woman who lives across Snipatuit Pond said she's had to ask boaters or jet ski operators to stay 20 feet from shore and that some families avoid the pond altogether.

Col. Murray explained the boats are supposed to stay 150 feet away from the swimming area. He volunteered to help the committee and said most jet ski operators are doing it for the first time and tend to be more reckless. "We are trying to develop mandatory courses for all boaters," he added. But Ms. Paronich said it wasn't the conduct of the boaters she was most concerned with. "It's an



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environmental issue. There's no right time to do a lot of stuff that's going on in the pond," she said.

Jeffrey Morse, a member of the Rochester Water Sports Club, then came before the Board in defense of using the pond for recreational use. He said everyone in the club is truly worried and concerned about rules and regulations. "We utilize safety to the highest means. All club members abide by the rules," he said.

He said there are people who don't belong to the club who might not abide by the rules. "If we see them we will take down their numbers. I have a \$6,000 boat and I don't want to see this banned. It's been a shallow pond for years," he said. He added that personal water crafts have to stay away from low water areas while bass boats can go right over them. He also asked what would happen to the sea plane that occasionally uses Snipatuit Pond to land. "If you ban boats, you ban the sea plane," he said. Banning the use of the internal combustion motors would be an infringement of freedom, he added. "There are opposing views. Not everybody agrees with this," he said.

The Board of Selectmen made a motion to form an ad hoc committee pertaining to this issue and recognized they need to get a diverse group of people. Those interested in serving on this committee should contact the Selectmen's office for more information. Representatives from different groups will be chosen to serve on the committee.

Under incoming correspondence, the Board received a letter from Donna Peirce and Susan Baptista requesting 7.49 acres of land on 214 Neck Road be released from Chapter 61A to be subdivided into three two and a half acre lots. The Board will request they submit a certified plot plan. The Board also made a motion to establish a cable advisory committee to review other town's cable contracts and attend hearings.

The Board discussed advertising for a Zoning Enforcement Officer. They unanimously decided to hold off advertising this position until they figured out how the person would be paid -- hourly or salary. They will research how other towns pay their Zoning Enforcement Officers.

The Board then met as a Personnel Board and

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signed a Personal Action Form from former public prosecutor Harry Schmitt. They also received a memo from Officer Gleason regarding his date of hire. They will ask Chief Denham when he was officially appointed full time and the date of his graduation from the police academy. Fire Chief Ashworth also submitted a letter stating his hiring policy in lieu of personnel requisition form. A memo was also received from Acting Chief Dispatcher Kim Eldridge who informed the Board of a full time opening in the communication center. The Board unanimously voted to post this position internally and advertise it in a local newspaper.

There being no further business before the Board to discuss, they adjourned for the evening at 9:15 pm.

Acushnet Selectmen's Meeting

October 21, 1996

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, October 21 at 6:00 pm by Chairman Everett L. Hardy Jr. Also present were Selectman Peter W. Koczera, and Selectman Robert J. St. Jean.

The board first met with Kenneth Souza of the Cable Advisory Committee, who came to request another 30-day extension of the existing contract with Time-Warner Cable. Mr. Souza said that they wanted to allow the cable company time to provide a trunk line for internet service to both the new Acushnet Emergency Medical Service facility and the Russell Memorial Library.

"This will save (the town) about \$15,000," Mr. Souza said. "These two buildings will be added to the internet trunk line ... and we should be ready to sign the new contract in 30 days."

The board unanimously voted to grant another 30-day extension of the current contract with the Time-Warner Entertainment Company so that these two public buildings may be connected for future internet service.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received a request and proposed map for a bicycle path from a concerned resident.

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The proposed "Riverside Park Bicycle and Roller Skate Trail" would run along the north side of the Coggeshall Street bridge, travel through Riverside Park in New Bedford, traverse along the west side of CDF's, loop around Slocum Street in Acushnet (south side of Wood Street Bridge), and



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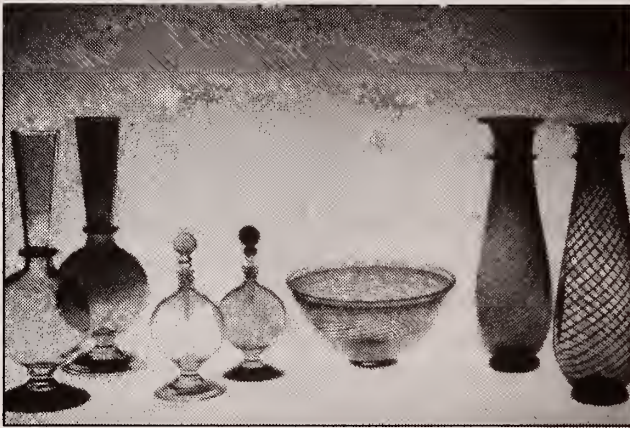


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travel along the east side of the Acushnet and Fairhaven marshes. The resident also said the project would require support and assistance from Hands Across the River.

"A resident brought this proposal to my attention and wanted to know if we had any objections," Chairman Hardy said. "I have no problem with pursuing this project."

Selectman Koczera agreed, and moved that the board endorse the proposal, which was unanimously approved by the board.

The board next received a response from the Safety Committee regarding a recent request from resident Hilda LaRue to change the posted speed limit along North Main Street from the New Bedford line to Hamlin Street from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour. The Safety Committee informed the board that changing the posted speed limit would not solve the problem of speeding cars along this stretch of road. Instead, they recommend either rumble strips, cobble stones, or other calming devices be installed.

Selectman St. Jean said he didn't feel these solutions were practical. And Selectman Koczera was concerned about the legality of installing "rumble strips" on a busy main road. The board agreed to hold their final decision on this matter for another week and asked that a copy of this memo be sent to both Police Chief Michael Poitras and the Department of Public Works for their input.

The Safety Committee also submitted a request to install "No Parking" signs on both sides of Main Street at the following points: from the Jackson Auction House on the west side of Main Street and from the south side of the cemetery line to the south side of 1069 Main Street, on the east side of Main Street going north from 1069 Main Street to the south side of Clem's Way. The committee is suggesting these signs because the area is dangerous, has a bad

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curve, and cars are usually parked on both sides.

Selectman St. Jean advised that a hearing was held on this matter not too long ago and he seemed to recall that this idea was rejected. Chairman Hardy wanted to look into any previous decisions made on this matter and agreed to hold the item until next week's meeting.

Frank J. Adesso of Beechwood Drive next requested reappointment as a Constable in the Town of Acushnet. The board unanimously approved his request.

Next, Maria F. Barbosa, manager of Nine Island Family Restaurant on Main Street, sent a request to change their hours of operation to: Friday from 8:00 am to 1:00 am, and Saturday from 8:00 am to 1:00 am. The establishment's existing opening hours are 11:00 am on both Friday and Saturday.

The board advised that a hearing needs to be scheduled to change the business' hours of operation under the parameters of their liquor license. They moved to contact Ms. Barbosa to schedule a hearing on this matter.

At 6:15 pm the board met with Harry Ecklund from Com/Electric to discuss the installation of a 115-volt third supply cable which will run from the Pine Street substation in New Bedford to the Acushnet substation off Bradford Avenue. According to Mr. Ecklund, Com/Electric defined a need for the Acushnet area several years ago. As such, it was determined that a third high voltage cable should be installed to run to the Acushnet power substation.

"There's nothing we can do on an interim



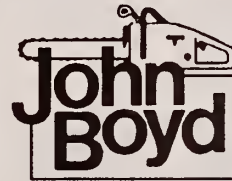
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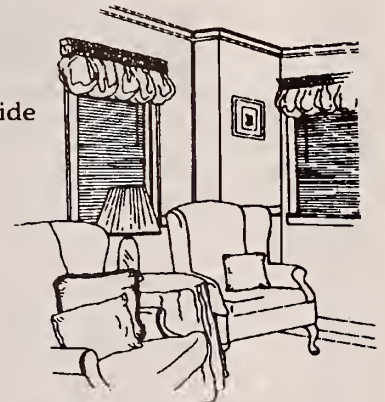
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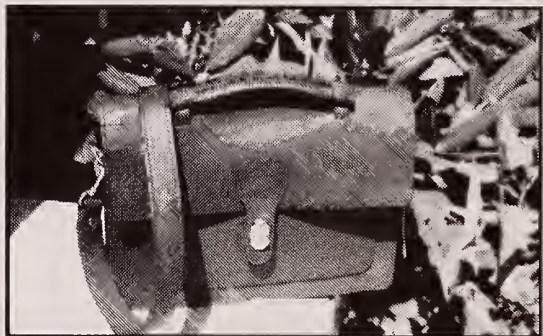
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basis to defer the need for this project," Mr. Ecklund said. "We have to go before the Energy Siting Board ... and we'll have to notify all abutters when we proceed with this project."

Mr. Ecklund said he came before the Board of Selectmen to advise them of this pending project so that when residents are notified to attend a public hearing, the town will have some understanding of the work which is to be done. He also presented the board members with a map showing both the preferred route for the 115-volt power line and an alternate route as required by the Energy Siting Board.

"We'll be filing later this month to begin the project ... and we'll have to notify every abutter within 300 feet of the line," Mr. Ecklund said.

The preferred route as presented to the board will run from the Pine Street substation in New Bedford, along MacArthur Drive to Herman Melville Boulevard, across Front Street to Belleville Road, across the Acushnet River to the Acushnet substation off Bradford Avenue. Mr. Ecklund said the portion of the line which crosses the Acushnet River will be encased in either concrete or steel piping which will be sunk onto the bottom of the river and bury itself under its own weight — no digging or dredging of the river will be done.

Mr. Ecklund asked the board if they would draft a letter supporting the preferred route as presented, since such opinions carry weight with the Energy Siting Board. The Selectmen agreed to draft a letter to that effect, unanimously supporting the preferred — and also, the shortest — route.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 6:40 pm.

Fairhaven Selectmen's Meeting

October 21, 1996

By Jennifer J. Ouellette

A regular meeting of the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 pm by Chairman John R. Roderiques. Also present were Selectman Robert T. Hamilton, Selectman John T. Haaland, Executive Secretary Jeff Osuch, and Secretary Jan St. Germain. The minutes of the October 15 meeting and the minutes of the joint meeting with the Advisory Committee on October 16 were both unanimously approved.

The big issue of the evening was the Public Hearing regarding hunting on West Island. Currently, it is legal to hunt on West Island.



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Unfortunately, Lieutenant Peter Halan — a representative from the Environmental Police — could not attend the actual hearing (which began at 8:00 pm) due to a prior engagement for 7:00 pm. Therefore, at the start of the meeting Mr. Halan informed the board that he has "directed his office ... to put West Island in their patrol."

"We will patrol (West Island) in a regular function," Mr. Halan said. Mr. Halan also stated before leaving that he would like to be notified if any violations occur.

In January of 1989 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts purchased the 338 acres of land that is now known as the "West Island Reservation." According to state law, reservation land is open for hunting unless the state receives orders from the Department of Environmental Management (DEM) to close a given reservation to hunting. After this brief introduction, the board opened the floor to a room filled with wall-to-wall people. The board intended to get the "sentiments of the residents."

The first to speak was James Kennedy, a member of the Bristol County Sportsman's League. Mr. Kennedy expressed his desire for the area to remain open to hunting, noting a conversation he had with Lt. Halan who had found no problems

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with the area in 22 years. Also, Mr. Kennedy added that the Sportsman's League has a \$200 reward for any convicted violators of the hunting laws (hunters must remain 150 feet from any roads, 500 feet from dwellings, and the like).

"Once in a great while I go out with my coon dogs for a night hunt," Mr. Kennedy said. "Hunting-related accidents are on the bottom of the list," Mr. Kennedy added before sitting down.

Ruth Galary, a resident of West Island for 18 years, said that she chose a home on West Island for its "peaceful, quiet life."

"I'm not opposed to hunting — I'm opposed

to hunting on West Island," she said. Ms. Galary went on to explain that "there simply isn't enough land." The 338 acres of hunting land is on the border of a residential area, she said. Besides, "what are they going to hunt?" she asked. "We used to have rabbits, foxes and deer," she said. Now the land is primarily populated with migratory birds, raccoons and squirrels.

Connie Thomas, a resident who lives directly across the street from the wooded area designated as hunting grounds, said that she has brought visitors into the area to look around and when "coming out you can be 10 feet from the road and not know the road is there," she said. "I want to be able to sit in my window and feel safe."

David Szeliga, the founder of the West Island Improvement Association, said that the land was designed for "passive recreation ... hunting was never mentioned." The debating continued in the same fashion for some time until Police Chief Edward Silva described the situation from his department's perspective. The Police Chief felt the area is too small, hunting regulations cannot effectively be enforced, and his department has a hard enough time enforcing dirt bikes on West Island, "not to mention hunting too."

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"Keeping up with guns and shooting would be next to impossible," Chief Silva said, "especially when the state is encouraging people to be walking through the area."

In response to a speaker who said: "I don't want hunting on my island," Mr. Eric Berg stood up and said: "West Island is not *your* island ... it's everybody's island, it's the Town of Fairhaven's island."

Chairman Roderiques jumped in at this time and mentioned that numerous letters were received from residents, approximately fifteen letters in opposition, and two petitions of opposition.

After noting this, Chairman Roderiques turned to his fellow Selectmen for their point of view. Selectman Haaland began by saying that he was "glad (the board) had the opportunity to hear from the residents." He then went on to reiterate the important points that were brought up during the hearing, including:

- Statistics - it is true that hunting is less dangerous than some other recreational activities, but Mr. Haaland was concerned where and how these statistics were compiled;

- The hunting sign - the sign was posted recently which seemed to have caused this to become a big issue. A lot of residents were unaware that hunting was legal and due to the posting of the sign more hunters and even non-hunters have been drawn to the area;

- Enforcement - Mr. Haaland was not "confident in (the police) ability to enforce hunting regulations. Mr. Haaland also felt that it was not the

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state of Massachusetts' intent to include hunting under "passive recreation";

• Quality of life issue for residents - noise and guns would be a problem in the area.

Selectman Hamilton was given a chance to express his ideas and concerns in which he stated that he concurred with many of Selectman Haaland's comments. Selectman Hamilton went on to say that he doesn't believe West Island was saved for hunting purposes but to preserve a "pristine" environment for the future.

"I come from a family of hunters," Chairman Roderiques said, and went on to admit that he has even gone hunting once or twice himself. "I would not support the removal (of hunting) from other areas."

However, he did feel the necessity to protect West Island from hunting. Hunting and the general idea of "passive recreation" (the law actually includes hunting in passive recreation, even though the common person does not) are "incompatible activities."

Before closing the hearing, Selectman Haaland went on record as saying that he also was not opposed to hunting in general, but only hunting on West Island. A motion was unanimously

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approved to petition the state to discontinue legal hunting on West Island. This approval was followed by a round of applause from the majority in attendance.

Other appointments for the evening included one with a Charles Murphy who was seeking permission to rent a room in the Town Hall. Selectman Haaland was affiliated with this group and therefore left the room during this discussion. On April 5, 1997 from 7:00 to 12:00 pm MOLIFE, Inc. would like to sponsor an informal fundraising dance in which the "money would serve the needs of those who slip through the cracks — that is those with disabilities." After reviewing the responsibilities, fees and liability concerns with Mr. Murphy, the request was unanimously granted.

The only other appointment for the evening was with Kevin Villa, the town's Shellfish Warden, regarding commercial scallop licenses. Mr. Villa was asking to raise the scallop restriction from one





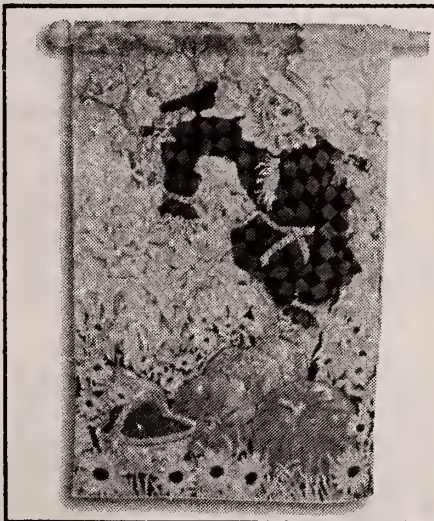
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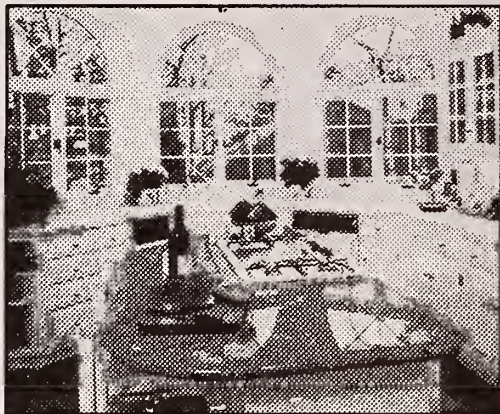
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Selectman Haaland was concerned that there would not be enough scallops, but Mr. Villa informed the board that 14 to 15 bushels of scallops had washed up in the storm over the weekend. Mr. Villa went on to explain that a scallop's lifespan is only 18 to 24 months if "we don't take them, they are going to die anyway."

The board went on to approve several motions, including: one that stated the season would run from November 1 through March 31; the \$125 permit would be granted but would include the residential fee as well; and that the limit would be three bushels per day (but still remain one bushel for residential).

Under incoming correspondence for the evening the board received:

- A letter from the Tax Collector that stated since the tax bills went out so late last year, the bills this year cannot be sent out until after January 26. Also no business hearings can be held until after that date.

- An application for a Dance License for a High School Dance to be held on November 23 from

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• An appeal request on the Dog Hearing held on October 7 from Roger Suprenant. As a courtesy, the board decided to send a letter to Mr. Suprenant to inform him that the board will not reschedule a hearing and that his appeal request should be directed to the Third District Court, not to the Board of Selectmen.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 9:06 pm.

Sports Shorts

By Kenneth J. Souza

Old Rochester Regional High School

• This weekend is Homecoming Weekend at Old Rochester Regional High School. Both present and past Bulldog alumni will gather for a special Homecoming and Bulldog Day on Saturday, October 26 at ORR.

In the morning, beginning at 10:00 am, the Boys Soccer team will play Westport on the Varsity Field.

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The 1:00 pm Football game will be against the Spartans of Bishop Stang High School. There will be a Halftime Parade of floats and King and Queen candidates. The float winner will be announced at this time.

- The Bulldog Football team managed to edge past Fairhaven High School, defeating them 27 to 26 in last week's game.

- The ORR Boys Soccer team tied Apponequet, 2 to 2, and also tied Seekonk, 2 to 2. However, they were shutout by Dighton-Rehoboth, 0 to 2. The team will next face Westport High School on Saturday, October 26 for a 10:00 am match.

- In Girls Soccer, the ORR team shut-out Apponequet, 5 to 0; tied with Bishop Connolly High School, 1 to 1; and shut-out Dartmouth, 2 to 0. The team will next face Fairhaven High School on Thursday, October 24 for a 3:15 pm home game.

- The Field Hockey team had a disappointing week, first losing to Westport High, 0 to 3; then tying with Seekonk in a scoreless, 0 to 0 match. Lastly, the team lost to Fairhaven High School, 0 to 1. The team will next face off against Apponequet on Friday, October 25 for a 3:15 pm home game.

- In Volleyball, the ORR team beat Bishop Stang High School in two impressive matches,

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scoring 15 to 4 each time. The team will next face Bishop Stang on Monday, October 28 for a 6:00 pm home game, and then will travel to Fall River to face Bishop Connolly on Tuesday, October 29 for a 3:30 pm match.

Old Colony Regional Voke

Things are winding down for the Old Colony Cougars. With only about a week to go in the Fall Sports season, many teams are playing their final games. According to Athletic Director Bill Hebert, things should remain quiet through November until Basketball kicks up on December 16. Following is a rundown of last week's matches.

- The Cross Country team lost to Westport on Wednesday, October 16.

- The Cougar Golf team defeated Sacred Heart on Thursday, winning 6-and-a-half to 2-and-a-half. The team, however, lost in a make-up game against West Bridgewater, 6-and-a-half to 2-and-a-

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half. The team ended their season with a league record of 12 and 2, putting them in second place going into the State Tournament. At press time, the tournament was slated for Thursday, October 24 at the Easton Country Club.

- In Soccer, the Cougars lost to Norfolk, 2 to 1, on Friday, October 18.

- The Volleyball team defeated Upper Cape Cod Tech last Thursday, 15 to 8, and 15 to 9. But they lost to Bristol Aggie on Friday, 11 to 15, 15 to 9, and 15 to 10.

- The Cougar Football team lost to Nantucket on Saturday, in a disappointing 33 to 16 defeat.

ORR Soccer Boosters

- The Old Rochester Regional High School Soccer Boosters announced this week that their Seventh Annual Yard Sale, which was originally slated for last Sunday, has been rescheduled for this Sunday, November 3 at the Salvation Army Parking Lot on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. The sale will be held from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and will once again feature a wide range of items at prices which can't be beat. There will also be a baked goods table. All proceeds will benefit the ORR Girls and Boys Soccer Teams ... so make an effort to stop by and support this

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Sports Spotlight

Teammates on the Field and for Life

By Pamela L. Sylvia

Twins Jennifer and Kimberly Tapper appear as different as black and white. But while working together on the soccer field, their defense deflates many opponents' offenses.

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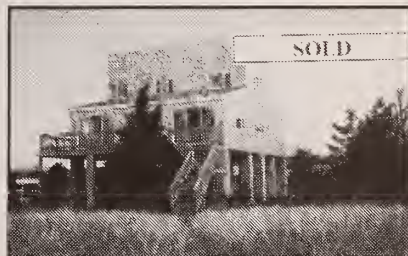


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
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tournament. Jennifer, who plays the sweeper position, and Kimberly, who plays the stopper position, owe much credit to **Coach Sam Galvam** for their success. "He has taught us to never be satisfied with our performance," Jennifer said. "We should always want more."

But the girls didn't learn everything from Coach Galvam. Jennifer and Kimberly have played soccer since the second grade. Now seniors, they share their life experiences, as well as their living space. But for twins, the girls claim they are nothing alike. "We're total opposites ... when I say I have a twin sister, people usually ask where she is," Jennifer said. "When I tell them, they don't believe me."

By physical appearance, the girls resemble night and day. Jennifer is blond, conservative, and comfortable wearing a gray t-shirt and jeans; on the other hand, Kimberly is brunette, outspoken, and dresses in a fashionable black sweater, green shirt, and choker. They both try to exhibit and explain major differences between them. But in the process, they only show more distinct similarities.

Kimberly, who once aspired to be a solid gold dancer, hopes to attend the fall semester at either Northeastern University, UMass at Amherst, or Merrimack College, majoring in international business. Jennifer, on the other hand, liked to pretend she was a librarian. She also wishes to attend either UMass at Amherst or Endicott College for hotel management.

Even though UMass is both on their prospective lists, it would not be a problem if they attended the same college. "We've both talked about it ... but we decided we probably wouldn't dorm together because we would want some distance," Kim explained. "But then we could always have each other. But again, it's such a big school, it doesn't really matter."

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When asked if the girls have any role models, they both answered with the same person — their grandmother. "She died last year. She was a big one," Kim said. "I was going to say that, too,"

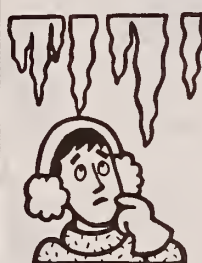


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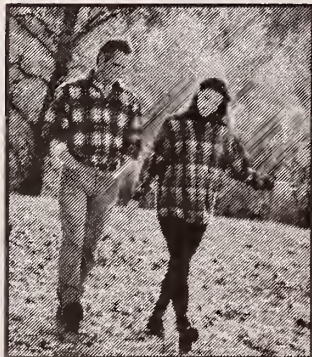


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Jennifer added. "There's nothing she didn't do for anybody ... ever."

Even though their soccer season is almost over, the family tradition will continue. Sophomore **Elizabeth Tapper** is Jennifer and Kimberly's cousin. She will be handed the responsibility of making the Tapper family proud.

Most people would assume Jennifer and Kimberly are bonded by blood. But they are also tied together through school, athletics, and friends. For two girls who believe they are as different as the colors black and white, there are many shades of gray which bond them together.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

To all our friends, neighbors, and the Mattapoisett Fire Department —

We could never adequately express our sincere gratitude for all that was done in the hours during and days after our house fire. The visits, donations, expressions of sympathy, and offers to help have been too numerous to count. To see a community and neighborhood pull together in our behalf was an extremely humbling experience. It was especially touching to see how children, in their own special way, did whatever they could for our daughters. The girls have already begun to develop friendships with their new stuffed animals.

The efforts of Fire Chief Ronald Scott and the Mattapoisett Fire and Police Departments were professional, heroic, and filled with compassion. Mattapoisett should be proud of these men and women who serve them.

Thank you all for everything.

Sincerely,
Michael, Paula, Kristen and Samantha Ward
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To the Editor:

Your account of the controversy surrounding last week's (October 15) appointment to fill a vacancy on the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission omitted a key point.

I want to point that out because it is symptomatic of a major problem with the previous Board of Selectmen and continues to be a problem with the current board.

Decisions are being made by a majority of the board before they give the public a chance to be heard. This lack of due process is an insult to the

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Several people attended last week's Selectmen's meeting with what they felt were important comments relative to the filling of the ConCom vacancy. During the first part of the Selectmen's meeting, they were told to remain silent until the deliberations of the board were completed.

Unfortunately, only Selectman Michele Bernier presented a detailed case to support her arguments questioning the ConCom's recommendation that Diane Foster, among several candidates, be appointed. To her credit, she was the only Selectman to make an attempt to interview any of the candidates. As a Selectmen's appointment this was, at one time, normal procedure. Without this process, who can be held accountable?

There was no information presented to show why Ms. Foster was the best person to fill the position before Selectman John DeCosta, the chairman of the board, announced he was going to vote for her.

Selectman Paul Lambalot suggested the board ought to hear in person from the ConCom



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- **Tuesday, October 29** — Lasagna, garlic bread, salad, or turkey and soup, milk, dessert.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Beef stew, rolls, or bologna and soup, milk, dessert.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Spooky chicken roast, ghost potato, creepy corn, or ham and soup, milk, spider cake.
- **Friday, November 1** — French bread pizza, pasta salad, or tuna and chowder, milk, dessert.

CENTER SCHOOL — MATTAPOISETT

- **Monday, October 28** — French toast sticks, sausages, warm apple slices, or American sub, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Chicken parmesan on a roll, or ham and cheese pocket/roll, pasta salad, soup, fruit, milk.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Spaghetti with garlic bread, or turkey pocket/roll, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Macaroni and cheese, or chicken fajita pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

COASTLINE ELDERLY SERVICES

- **Monday, October 28** — Chicken dippers with honey mustard sauce, brown rice, broccoli, oatmeal bread, mandarin oranges.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Swedish meatballs with gravy, seasoned noodles, beautiful blend vegetables, rye bread, ginger bread.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — French meat pie, whipped potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, mixed fruit.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Veal with sweet and sour sauce, au gratin potatoes, green beans, white bread, pumpkin pudding.
- **Friday, November 1** — New England clam chowder, unbreaded fish with lemon sauce, whipped potatoes, peas, honey wheat bread, chocolate chip cookie.

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hours in advance. Menu is subject to change without notice.

FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- **Monday, October 28** — Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, fishwich, oven fries, carrots, apple sauce, butterscotch pudding with topping.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Spaghetti sauce over pasta with grated mozzarella, grilled cheese, bologna and lettuce sub, salad, green beans, chilled pears, orange jello with topping.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Ghostly nuggets with sauce, MacMonster tongue on a bun, spooky vegetables, pasta salad, skeleton bones, witches' fruit, Hallow's Eve cake.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Vampire's blood, ghou's liver with/without cheese, ghostly patty on a bun, bag of albino bat wings, monster's eye, jacko's legs, spooky fruit roll-up.

FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

- **Monday, October 28** — American chop suey, grated mozzarella, hamburger/cheeseburger, Italian grinder, salad, green beans, chilled pears, orange jello with topping.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Baked pork chop with gravy, steak and cheese grinder, ham salad sub, whipped potato, corn, applesauce, butterscotch pudding with topping.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Dragon's eyes in a coffin, ghostly patty on a bun, ghou's liver with/without cheese, monster bones, cat's eyes, haunted fruit, Hallow's Eve cake.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Vampire's blood, ghostly nuggets with sauce, MacMonster tongue on a bun, spooky vegetable pasta salad, skeleton bones, witches' fruit, goblin roll-up.

FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL — ACUSHNET

- **Monday, October 28** — Hamburger/cheeseburger, French fries, raw veggies, or grilled cheese and soup, milk, jello.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Lasagna, garlic bread, salad, or turkey and soup, milk, dessert.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Beef stew, rolls, or bologna and soup, milk, dessert.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Spooky chicken roast, ghost potato, creepy corn, or ham and soup, milk, spider cake.
- **Friday, November 1** — French bread pizza, pasta salad, or tuna and chowder,

milk, dessert.

HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

- **Monday, October 28** — Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, fishwich, oven fries, carrots, apple sauce, butterscotch pudding with topping.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Spaghetti sauce over pasta with grated mozzarella, grilled cheese, bologna and lettuce sub, salad, green beans, chilled pears, orange jello with topping.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Ghostly nuggets with sauce, MacMonster tongue on a bun, spooky vegetables, pasta salad, skeleton bones, witches' fruit, Hallow's Eve cake.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Vampire's blood, ghou's liver with/without cheese, ghostly patty on a bun, bag of albino bat wings, monster's eye, jacko's legs, spooky fruit roll-up.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE

- **Monday, October 28** — Chicken soup, bacon burger, potato chips, peas, peanut butter cookie.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Swedish meatballs, noodles, broccoli, bread, jello.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Juice, linguica and cheese, French fries, corn, sliced pears.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Rotini with meat sauce, green beans, roll, Halloween cake.
- **Friday, November 1** — Vegetable soup, pizza, hash brown patty, carrots, assorted dessert.

OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL

- **Monday, October 28** — French toast sticks, sausages, warm apple slices, or American sub, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Chicken parmesan on a roll, or ham and cheese pocket/roll, pasta salad, soup, fruit, milk.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Spaghetti with garlic bread, or turkey pocket/roll, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Macaroni and cheese, or chicken fajita pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

- **Monday, October 28** — Sausage, pepper and onion sub, soup, or chicken patty, baked macaroni and cheese, fruit, juice or milk.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Baked ziti, or

turkey sub, green beans, garlic bread, fruit, juice or milk.

- **Wednesday, October 30** — Hot dogs, or chicken fritters, soup, beans, cole slaw, fruit, juice or milk.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Chicken fajita pocket, or Italian sub, lettuce, tomato, pasta salad, fruit, juice or milk.
- **Friday, November 1** — Sweet and sour chicken, or steak and cheese sub, rice, carrots, roll, fruit, juice or milk.

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

- **Monday, October 28** — French toast sticks, sausages, warm apple slices, or American sub, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Chicken parmesan on a roll, or ham and cheese pocket/roll, pasta salad, soup, fruit, milk.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Spaghetti with garlic bread, or turkey pocket/roll, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Macaroni and cheese, or chicken fajita pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL — MARION

- **Monday, October 28** — French toast sticks, sausages, warm apple slices, or American sub, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Chicken parmesan on a roll, or ham and cheese pocket/roll, pasta salad, soup, fruit, milk.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Spaghetti with garlic bread, or turkey pocket/roll, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
- **Thursday, October 31** — Macaroni and cheese, or chicken fajita pocket, tossed salad, fruit, milk.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL — FAIRHAVEN

- **Monday, October 28** — Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, fishwich, oven fries, carrots, apple sauce, butterscotch pudding with topping.
- **Tuesday, October 29** — Spaghetti sauce over pasta with grated mozzarella, grilled cheese, bologna and lettuce sub, salad, green beans, chilled pears, orange jello with topping.
- **Wednesday, October 30** — Ghostly nuggets with sauce, MacMonster tongue on a bun, spooky vegetables, pasta salad, skeleton bones, witches' fruit, Hallow's Eve cake.
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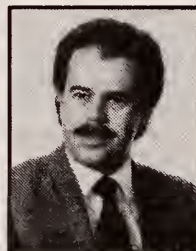
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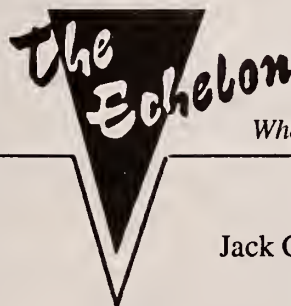
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ACUSHNET

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 14 through October 20, 1996:

- Middle Road – vandalism
- Nestles Lane – impounded dog/dangerous animal
- Slocum Street – summons issued (possession of opium or cocaine, possession of Class B substance)
- Hope Street – domestic disturbance
- Main Street – harassment
- Main Street – summons issued (unlicensed operation of motor vehicle)
- Middle Road – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Belanger Street – annoying/obscene phone calls
- Conduit Street – larceny/breaking and entering into a motor vehicle
- Main Street – domestic disturbance
- Mattapoissett Road – larceny/breaking and entering into a motor vehicle
- Middle Road – vandalism
- Middle Road – disorderly conduct/disturbing the peace
- Lake Street – domestic disturbance
- Slocum Street – impounded dog/dangerous animal
- Hathaway Road – domestic disturbance
- Mattapoissett Road – shots fired
- South Main Street – disturbance/noise complaint
- South Main Street – larceny/breaking and entering into a motor vehicle
- Main Street – domestic disturbance
- Main Street – adult arrest (operating under the influence, stop sign violation)
- South Main Street – vandalism
- Roosevelt Street – disturbance/noise complaint
- South Main Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Main Street – annoying/obscene phone calls.

FAIRHAVEN

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 14 through October 21, 1996:

- Bridge Street – adult arrest (larceny over \$250)
- Huttleston Avenue – adult arrest (larceny over \$250)
- Huttleston Avenue – adult arrest (violation of prevention order, personal threats)
- Adams Street – domestic violence
- Huttleston Avenue – adult arrest (assault and battery, robbery, unarmed)
- Mulberry Street – vandalism
- Balsam Street – accident/property damage
- Sconticut Neck Road – accident/property damage
- Walnut Street – assault
- Fairhaven Commons Way – domestic violence
- Plaza Way – juvenile arrest (shoplifting)
- Sconticut Neck Road – disturbance/gang
- Route 195 West – vandalism
- Fairhaven Commons Way – accident/property damage
- Center Street – juvenile arrest (disorderly conduct, possession of Class D substance, possession of drug paraphernalia)
- Fairhaven Commons Way – adult arrest (warrant)
- Alden Road – larceny
- Bridge Street – accident/property damage
- Huttleston Avenue – threats
- Route 240 South – adult arrest (warrant)
- Main Street – accident/hit and run
- Monodach Avenue – larceny
- Shawmut Street – domestic violence
- Alden Road – vandalism
- Huttleston Avenue – accident/property damage
- Huttleston Avenue – disturbance/gang
- Main Street – domestic violence
- Timothy Street – vandalism
- John Street – vandalism
- Winona Avenue – larceny
- Dogwood Street – breaking and entering/dwelling
- Bridge Street – vandalism
- Huttleston Avenue – accident/hit and run
- Jesse Street – domestic violence
- Bayview Avenue – domestic

violence

- Main Street – reported death
- Main Street – accident/property damage
- Harding Road – accident/property damage
- Main Street – adult arrest (protective custody).

MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 13 through October 19, 1996:

- Spring Street – motor vehicle accident/hit and run
- Spring Street – gathering
- Point Road – vandalism/past
- Cross Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mill Street – suspicious activity
- County Road – larceny/past
- Converse Road – assault and battery/past
- Point Road – suspicious person
- Spring Street – missing person
- South Street – larceny/past
- Barros Drive – vandalism/past
- County Road – suspicious activity
- Wareham Road – annoying phone calls
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating motor vehicle with suspended license)
- County Road – adult arrest (operating motor vehicle with suspended license)
- Mill Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mill Street – general disturbance
- Mill Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Route 195 East – suspicious activity
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 14 through October 21, 1996:

- Marion Road – disturbance/fight
- Shaw Street – past breaking and entering (Old Hammondtown School)
- County Road – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- Richard III's Lane – general disturbance
- Route 195 East – general disturbance
- Acushnet Road – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – youths in street

- County Road – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run
- Park Street – motor vehicle theft
- Acushnet Road – suspicious activity
- North Street – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
- Lebaron Way – suspicious activity
- Long Plain Road – suspicious activity
- Acushnet Road – juvenile matter
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident
- North Road – harassing phone calls
- Ship Yard Lane – larceny of boat
- Gary Drive – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – gun shots reported.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of October 14 through October 21, 1996:

- Mary's Pond Road – motor vehicle stop
- Vaughn Hill Road – suspicious activity
- Marion Road – motor vehicle stop
- High Street – adult arrest (warrant)
- Hiller Road – vandalism
- Bassett Street – suspicious activity
- New Bedford Road – motor vehicle stop
- Braley Hill Road – vandalism
- Snipatuit Road – motor vehicle accident
- Neck Road – motor vehicle accident
- Burgess Avenue – road closed
- Braley Hill Road – larceny
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Neck Road – motor vehicle stop
- Stuart Road – noise complaint
- Union Church Terrace – vandalism
- North Avenue – civil complaint
- Union Church Terrace – past breaking and entering
- Snipatuit Road – civil complaint
- Gerrish Road – tree down
- Dexter Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Walnut Plain Road – road hazardous.

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Powerhouse cast + cinematic book = disappointing movie

BY ROB GONSALVES

• ***Sleepers***. Starring Jason Patric, Brad Pitt, and Robert De Niro. Directed by Barry Levinson. Running time: 149 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At Cinema 140 in New Bedford.

Lorenzo Carcaterra's non-fiction best-seller *Sleepers* reads like a movie, which may be why (A) its veracity has been questioned and (B) a movie version is almost unnecessary. Here you have the story of four Hell's Kitchen boys who go to reform school, endure months of torture, and grow up to be haunted men who take revenge on their tormentors. Perfect movie material.

Yet the movie Barry Levinson has made from it feels less true and vivid than Carcaterra's snappy prose. For one thing, when you watch it as a movie, you can't help recalling other movies that did it better. The Hell's Kitchen footage is right out of *GoodFellas* (cinematographer Michael Ballhaus shot both films). The reform-school stuff is *The Shawshank Redemption Jr.* The climactic trial is John Grisham. And so on. The movie makes Carcaterra's story seem as fake as his detractors charge.

After a stupid prank that hospitalizes an old man, the boys are sent to Wilkinson, an institution notorious for its harshness. The neighborhood priest, Father Bobby (Robert De Niro), is an alumnus of Wilkinson and knows what happens to boys who land there. But he's powerless to stop the guards, led by Kevin Bacon in full sicko mode, from beating and raping the boys routinely and mercilessly.

Cut to fifteen years later, 1981. The nightmare lives on in the memories of the boys, now grown men. The Carcaterra character, nicknamed "Shakes" (Jason Patric), works at a newspaper. The other three boys are on different sides of the law: Michael (Brad Pitt) is a DA, while John (Ron Eldard) and Tommy (Billy Crudup) are swaggering hit-men. One night, John and Tommy happen across the sadistic, now-broken-down Bacon at a bar. Their swift vengeance feels so unlikely and movie-ish that it might actually have happened this way.

John and Tommy are arrested, and Michael takes the case against them. Yes, you read correctly. Michael and Shakes hatch a plan to get their friends off and put Wilkinson on trial. They hire inept lawyer Danny Snyder (Dustin Hoffman) to act as the pair's defense. Hoffman and De Niro are fine individually, but I wish Levinson had let them share more screen time; there are exactly two fleeting shots of these legends in the same frame. (*Heat*, with De Niro and Al Pacino, made the same mistake).

I didn't believe the trial in the book, and I don't believe it in the movie. What court would allow lawyers to throw a trial so blatantly? I lost count of the times Michael should have yelled "Objection!"... and I'm not even a judge. I also found myself thinking — which I didn't when reading the book — that even before their understandable murder of Bacon, John and Tommy were cold-blooded hit-men. Shakes and Michael (and probably Father Bobby) took the same abuse. They didn't become killers.

The point of the movie might be to show us why. But almost everything in it, true or not, plays as a cliché. Barry Levinson does a solid job, but he works best with material that isn't necessarily the stuff of movies, like *Diner*. There isn't much he can do with *Sleepers*. It was a better movie as a book.

MOVIE LISTINGS

■ CINEMA 140

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Friday (October 25) through Thursday (October 31)

*Sleepers** (R) – Fri: 5:50, 8:45;
Sat/Sun: 12:00, 3:00, 5:50, 8:45; Mon-Thu: 6:30, 9:20
*To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday** (PG-13) – Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:15;
Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:15, 5:00, 7:15, 9:15; Mon-Thu: 7:00, 9:00
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The Glimmer Man (R) – Fri: 5:00, 9:30;
Sat/Sun: 12:15, 5:00, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 9:15
The Long Kiss Goodnight (R) – Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:30;
Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 9:15
*High School High** (PG-13) – Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:15;
Sat/Sun: 12:15, 2:15, 5:00, 7:15, 9:15; Mon-Thu: 7:00, 9:00
Fly Away Home (PG) – Fri: 5:00; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:15, 5:00
*Get on the Bus** (R) – Sat/Sun: 7:15, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 6:30, 9:15

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Friday (October 25) through Thursday (October 31)

That Thing You Do! (PG) – 1:40, 4:10, 7:00, 9:15
The Mighty Ducks 3 (PG) – 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:15
The Chamber (R) – 1:30, 4:00, 6:50, 9:20
Michael Collins (R) – 1:30, 4:05, 6:40, 9:20
The Associate (PG-13) – 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
The Ghost and the Darkness (R) – 1:50, 4:20, 7:10*, 9:30
The First Wives Club (PG) – 2:00, 4:30, 6:50, 9:00
Thinner (R) – 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:30
Dear God (PG) – *Sneak Preview: Sat. (10/26) only at 7:10*

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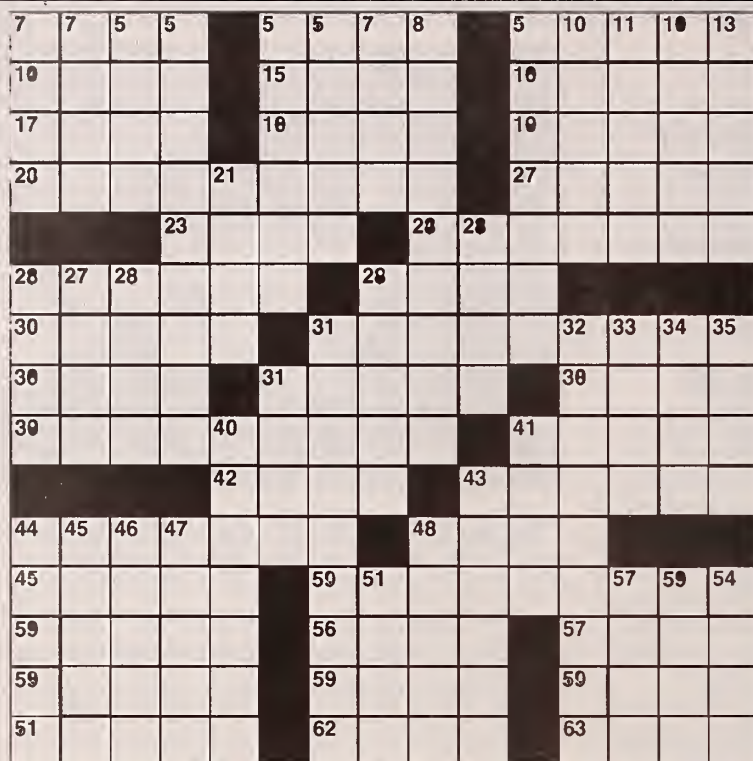
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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). Use what you're learning to make more money. Initiate action, contemplate the results and push forward.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Make up your shopping list. It's OK to get little stuff, but hold off on a big purchase.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Watch what you say — especially around somebody who's trying to pump you for information. Do research and finish writing the report.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Your job interferes with your love life. Get a new assignment and work on it. You'll start coming into your own and you'll soar.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Pick your team and review your options. Launch a group endeavor. You'll get a new assignment that should keep you busy.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Set priorities and stick to them. Make a list and then follow it. You'll have a little more time to play with your friends.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If there's any writing to do, begin it. Now's a good time to work on a project that's already been started. Make friends with a foreigner.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you're interested in money, instigate your investigation. Do research and get what you need. Get personal tutoring with your language lessons.

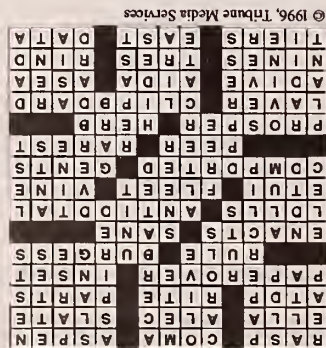
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're under pressure to perform. A sharp partner can help. Attend club meetings and meet the person of your dreams.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A startling confrontation could lead to love. You may meet and be attracted to somebody who's your exact opposite.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Love blooms in a rather repressive setting. Don't let the boss catch you dozing. Your workload intensifies and you'll really have to concentrate to keep up.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Far horizons beckon, but you're stuck at home. Consult with friends to solve silly personal disputes. Your luck is excellent and so is your intuition.

If You're Having a Birthday This Week: Instigate a real savings plan this year and be wealthy by the time you retire. Your luck's good with foreign investments and travel.



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enrolled in the school.

The Council serves as an advisory panel to the Principal while developing and overseeing the Annual School Improvement Plan. The meetings are held monthly from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. A person who would be willing to make a two-year commitment is sought.

Any person who is interested in this position should contact Ms. Elizabeth McDonald at the Memorial School (763-2049).

Debate Party in Marion

Everyone in the area is invited to a FREE party on Monday, October 28 at 6:30 pm at St. Gabriel's Parish Hall in Marion to watch the last televised Massachusetts Senatorial Debate between Senator John Kerry and Governor William Weld. The debate will be televised beginning at 7:00 pm.

The local League of Women Voters is providing refreshments, coffee and sweets at 6:30 pm in a cheerful, non-partisan atmosphere to view these two distinguished citizens of Massachusetts debate. It is hoped that interested citizens, Republicans, Democrats, unenrolled, and others will join their friends for an evening that should prove both pleasant and instructive.

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The Acushnet Historical Commission is seeking a new Associate Member. The candidate should have a strong interest in local history, and be prepared to give several hours per month in volunteer commission activities. The Associate Member would be expected to attend all commission meetings (every third Monday at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall), would participate in discussion but

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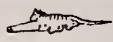


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<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 4, 1996 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall regarding the petition of Edward and Mary Bessey, 60 Dexter Lane, who are seeking permission to remove 25,000 cubic yards of earth.</p> <p>The removal of earth is necessary for the construction of 4 1/2 acres of cranberry bogs and reservoir. Rochester Board of Selectmen Lorraine Roy Hawkes, Chairman 10/18, 10/25</p>	<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Raymond Green, who is seeking a variance from set back requirements under Section VIII B of Protective Bylaws. Property is located at 95 County Road, Assessors plan 16 lot 19-I. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 1996 at 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall. Charles Wolf, Chairman 10/25, 11/01</p>	<p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>The Mattapoisett Board of Health will open the season for determination of ground water elevations in regard to percolation tests on Monday, November 4, 1996. The Board of Health reserves the right to factor or adjust observed water tables if conditions warrant. Dale Barrows, Agent 10/25</p>
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NOTICE, MATTAPOISETT RESIDENTS WATER MAIN FLUSHING

Water main flushing will be conducted October 21st, 1996 through November 8th, 1996.

Flushing will begin October 21st at 8:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M.

Flushing will be continued October 22nd through November 8th during the daylight hours from 9:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M.

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Halloween Parade in Fairhaven

The Halloween Horribles Parade will be held on Wednesday, October 30 at 6:00 pm sharp. Blessing of the children will be by Father Bob of St. Mary's Church on Main Street in North Fairhaven.

The procession will be led by the Fairhaven Police and Fire Department traveling down Main Street from the church parking lot to Glenhaven Street, proceeding on Glenhaven Street to the skating rink in Livesey Memorial Park. Judging will take place while the children parade around the rink. The Hastings Middle School student band will play selections under the direction of Bryan Young and Doreen Nelson of the Fairhaven School Department.

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The adult offerings include several mothers of the above-mentioned kittens, including: an all-white mom with gray head and tail, and a real sweet black and white with half a tail. There are also two short-haired gray and tan calicos — one six months, the other one year — and both are super lap cats. There are also three short-haired brown tigers.

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Tri-County Band Kicks Off Season

The Tri-County Symphonic Band will kick off its 35th concert season with a pair of concerts. Mark your calendars now ... the first concert will be held in the auditorium of Old Rochester Regional High School on Sunday, October 27 at 3:00 pm. The second, featuring the same program, will be held a week later on Sunday, November 3 at 3:00 pm in the

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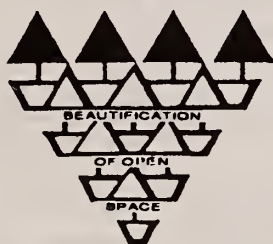


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The Assessors' Office will be open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, at which time the public may review the *proposed* valuations. Print-outs are also available at the library.

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State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) announced last week that the Department of Housing and Community Development approved the Town of Marion's application for a Municipal Incentive Grant for \$17,000 in order to meet some critical planning needs for the town.

This money will be used to help update the town's Master Plan, which was last updated 20 years ago, and to review the zoning by-laws of the town. The town has shown a great commitment to meeting its growth and development challenges by previously appropriating close to \$20,000 in Town Meeting to begin this planning process.

Marion is an environmentally-sensitive area with significant coastal areas, wetland resources and agricultural areas chiefly in the cranberry industry. "Preserving these environmental resources while permitting residential and commercial development in a responsible manner is an obligation which the Town's Planning Board and its growth management committee have taken very seriously," Rep. Straus said.

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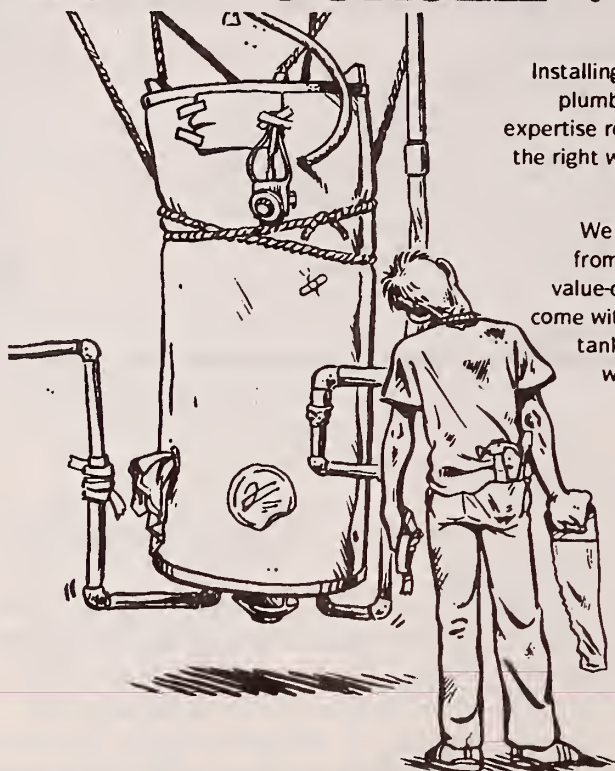


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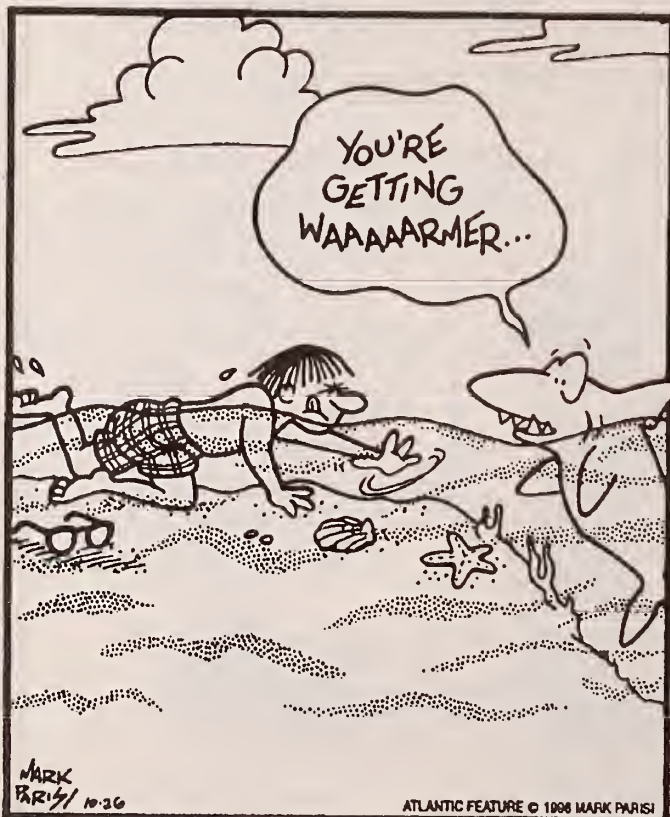
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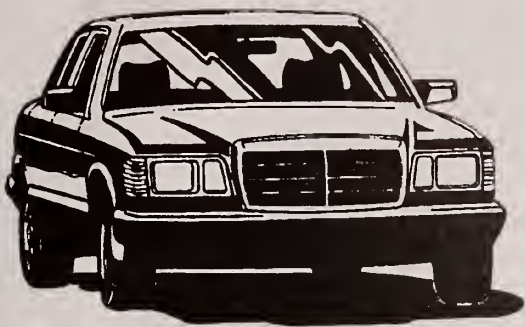
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October 26:	Sat.	8:08	8:31	1:38	2:19
October 27:	Sun.	7:54	8:16	1:19	2:01
October 28:	Mon.	8:39	9:01	1:58	2:40
October 29:	Tues.	9:24	9:47	2:36	3:18
October 30:	Wed.	10:10	10:34	3:13	3:55
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November 3:	Sun.	1:16	1:39	6:14	7:01
November 4:	Mon.	2:14	2:35	7:21	8:05
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